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Fig. 3A is a plan view of the invention. Fig. 3B is a sectional view of the cover of this invention poised for mounting on the skateboard wheel of fig. 1A, B..

There is shown a plate 30 bounded by a circular outside edge 32 and a circular inside edge 34 concentric with said circular outside edge. The plate 30 has a shape with a convex face 30A that is convex in a convex direction opposite a concave face 30B. The plate has a circular neck region 36 extending in a direction opposite the convex direction. The shape of the plate and neck is dimensioned in operable combination with the wheel 10 such that the cover 30 is securely positionable with the concave surface 30B of the plate flush 30 against the front surface 10A of the wheel 10 and the neck 36 is press fitted inside the shoulder 18 as shown in fig. 3C. The diameter of the "neck" portion 36 is dimensioned so that the cover 30 is secured to the wheel 10 by a press fit of inner neck portion 36 into the recess formed by the shoulder 18.

Fig. 4 shows the cover 30 mounted on the wheel 10 with an adhesive gasket 36 37 interposed between the cover and the outer surface of the wheel 10.

The cover 30 is preferably a thin metal having a thickness range of between .010 to .030 inches thick. In another version, the cover is a polymer.